

Usage Analysis of Electronic Information Resources: Sample of Hacettepe University Libraries – Анализ использования электронных информационных ресурсов на примере Университета Хаджитепе (Турция, Анкара)

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The recent developments in information technology have increased the amount of information sources as well as their costs. Information centers have been seeking efficient ways of using these resources, therefore special importance to collection management has given by them. As its known, collection management aims identification of user needs, acquisition of information sources according to allocated budget and serving the collection. Resource selection is one of the basic processes in collection development. Coverage, content and functionality and as well as the cost of information resources can not be ignored during the selection process. Weeding process is also as important as selection process in collection management. Therefore, usage analysis for electronic resources must be performed and feedback from their users must be provided. Especially, these procedures are required and must be undertaken for high cost electronic resources.

This study involves usage analysis of the database named *ScienceDirect* which is subscribed and highly used by Hacettepe University. The research aims to identify highly used journals and their subjects in this particular database, preferred downloading methods by their users into local computers, and the correlation between impact factor of downloaded journals and number of downloaded articles. In addition, possible solutions are provided in performing effective selection of electronic information resources at Hacettepe University libraries. It is expected that this particular study will be useful for evaluation, selection, purchasing and weeding processes of electronic information resources.

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